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In re the U.S. Nationalization Application
of PCT/EP99/05467 of
REINDL et al.

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For: DNA SEQUENCE CODING FOR A 1-DEOXY-D-XYLULOSE-5-PHOSPHATE
SYNTHASE AND OVERPRODUCTION THEREOF IN PLANTS

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified U.S. National Stage application, kindly
amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 17, line 1, delete "-16"

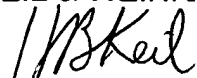
Claim 18, line 2, delete "-16"

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependency and to place them
in better form for U.S. practice. Favorable action on the application is solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,
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